

MINUTES

MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 62nd LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON TAXATION

Call to Order: Chairman Mark Blasdel, on January 13, 2011 at 8:00 AM, in Room 152
Capitol

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Rep. Mark Blasdel, Chairman (R)
Rep. Mike Miller, Vice Chairman (R)
Rep. Dick Barrett (D)
Rep. Steve Fitzpatrick (R)
Rep. Kelly Flynn (R)
Rep. Alan Hale (R)
Rep. Brian Hoven (R)
Rep. Austin Knudsen (R)
Rep. Steve Lavin (R)
Rep. Sue Malek (D)
Rep. Edith (Edie) McClafferty (D)
Rep. Mary McNally (D)
Rep. Jerry O'Neil (R)
Rep. Mike Phillips (D)
Rep. Lee Randall (R)
Rep. Wayne Stahl (R)
Rep. Janna Taylor (R)
Rep. Kathleen Williams (D)
Rep. Max Yates (R)

Members Excused: None

Members Absent: None

Staff Present: Lisa Adams, Committee Secretary
Jeff Martin, Legislative Branch

Audio Committees: These minutes are in outline form only. They provide a list of participants and a record of official action taken by the committee. The link to the audio recording of the meeting is available on the Legislative Branch website.

Committee Business Summary:

Hearing & Date Posted: HB 107, 1/6/2011; HB 21, 1/6/2011; HB 111, 1/6/2011; HB 132,
1/6/2011

HEARING ON HB 107

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

00:01:04 Rep. Galen Hollenbaugh (D), HD 81, opened the hearing on HB 107,
Authorize collection of interest payments on unpaid coal royalties.

Proponents' Testimony:

00:02:20 Mary Sexton, Director of Department of Natural Resources and Conservation
(DNRC)

Opponents' Testimony: NONE

Informational Testimony: NONE

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

00:05:27 Rep. Hoven
00:05:48 Dir. Sexton, DNRC
00:06:18 Rep. Flynn
00:06:43 Dir. Sexton
00:07:25 Rep. Taylor
00:07:48 Dir. Sexton
00:07:59 Rep. Randall
00:09:04 Dir. Sexton
00:08:36 Monte Mason, Minerals Bureau, DNRC
00:09:17 Rep. Knudsen
00:09:43 Mr. Mason
00:10:10 Rep. Knudsen
00:10:24 Mr. Mason
00:10:39 Rep. Fitzpatrick
00:11:11 Dir. Sexton
00:11:26 Rep. O'Neil
00:11:50 Dir. Sexton
00:12:44 Rep. Knudsen
00:12:53 Dir. Sexton
00:13:36 Rep. Stahl
00:13:50 Dir. Sexton

Closing by Sponsor:

00:14:30 Rep. Hollenbaugh

HEARING ON HB 21

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

00:14:51 Rep. Dick Barrett (D), HD 93, opened the hearing on HB 21, Revise adjusted
tax rate under extended property tax assistance program.

EXHIBIT(tah10a011)

Proponents' Testimony: NONE

Opponents' Testimony: NONE

Informational Testimony:

00:19:13 Larson Silbaugh, Economist, Montana Department of Revenue (DOR)

Questions from Committee Members and Responses: NONE

Closing by Sponsor:

00:19:28 Rep. Barrett

HEARING ON HB 111

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

00:20:11 Rep. Wayne Stahl (R), HD 35, opened the hearing on HB 111, Improving tax administration by depositing state agency lodging tax in gen fund.

Proponents' Testimony:

00:21:35 Steve Austin, DOR

00:23:27 Stuart Doggett, Montana Lodging and Hospitality Association formerly Montana Innkeepers

Opponents' Testimony: NONE

Informational Testimony: NONE

Questions from Committee Members and Responses: NONE

Closing by Sponsor:

00:24:53 Rep. Stahl

HEARING ON HB 132

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

00:26:01 Rep. Brian Hoven (R), HD 24, opened the hearing on HB 132, Improve, clarify, and make property tax administration more effective.

Proponents' Testimony:

00:29:54 Dallas Reese, Management Analyst, DOR

00:30:45 Nancy Schlepp, Montana Taxpayers Association

00:31:54 Alan Puera, Deputy Director, DOR

00:37:05 Rhonda Wiggers, Montana County Treasurers Association

Opponents' Testimony: NONE

Informational Testimony:

00:39:04 Al Kington, Professional Forester Land Use Consultant

00:43:07 Patrick Heffernan, Montana Wood Products Association

EXHIBIT(tah10a02)

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

00:47:20	Rep. Barrett
00:47:49	Mr. Puera, DOR
00:48:03	Rep. O'Neil
00:48:37	Mr. Puera
00:48:41	Mr. Reese, DOR`
00:49:28	Rep. O'Neil
00:49:48	Mr. Reese
00:50:34	Rep. Flynn
00:50:46	Mr. Puera
00:51:29	Rep. Flynn
00:52:17	Mr. Puera
00:52:55	Rep. Flynn
00:53:38	Ms. Schlepp
00:54:10	Chairman Blasdel
00:54:15	Rep. Phillips
00:55:41	Mr. Puera
00:56:06	Rep. Barrett
00:56:22	Mr. Puera
00:57:24	Vice Chair Miller
00:57:39	Ms. Schlepp
00:58:07	Rep. Malek
00:58:27	Mr. Kington
01:02:57	Rep. Malek
01:03:12	Mr. Puera
01:05:10	Rep. Malek
01:05:40	Mr. Puera
01:07:44	Rep. Fitzpatrick
01:08:01	Mr. Puera
01:08:45	Rep. Yates
01:08:59	Mr. Puera
01:09:31	Rep. Yates
01:09:52	Mr. Puera

Closing by Sponsor:

01:11:04	Rep. Hoven
01:11:18	Rep. Barrett

ADJOURNMENT

01:13:09 Adjournment

Lisa Adams, Secretary

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Additional Documents:

EXHIBIT([tah10aad.pdf](#))